SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 718 By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jessica Phillips, 2006 Valedictorian of Sequatchie County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Phillips is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class at Sequatchie County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Jessica Phillips has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Phillips has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while serving as a valued member and officer of several scholastic organizations, including service as the Beta Club President, Student Council President, and Senior Class President; she has also served as Band Captain, Future Business Leaders of America Secretary, Band Representative for the Pep Club Council, Trumpet Section Leader, and member of Christians in Black drama/creative movement team; and

WHEREAS, a four-year honor roll student, Ms. Phillips received the Bausch and Lomb Science Award and was voted Most Likely to Succeed by her peers; Jessica Phillips has been a member of the All East Tennessee State Band, an All-Star Symposium invitee at Tennessee Technological University, and the 2005-2006 Basketball Homecoming Queen; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Phillips's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at the University of Memphis; awarded the Cecil C. Humphrey Presidential Scholarship, Jessica Phillips plans to study International Business and Foreign Languages; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Phillips's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Marvin and Melisa Phillips, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Phillips's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2006 Sequatchie County High School Valedictorian, Jessica Phillips, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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